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SUBJECT: TANKS FOR PORTUGAL

REFS: A. SECDEF 16L453ZMAY77
B. USCINCEUR ECCC 1446 DTG 261355ZJAN77
C. STATE 109485 DTG 141701ZMAY77

1. THE FRG (MG BRANDT) HAS INFORMED US UNEQUIVOCALLY THAT IT IS NOW WILLING TO PROVIDE 18 REPEAT 18 EACH M48A2 TANKS FOR PORTUGUESE FORCE MODERNIZATION, AND ALSO TO PAY FOR THE UPGRADING OF THESE TANKS TO M48A5. WE FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT THIS FRG OFFER IS BASED ON THE EXPECTATION THAT M48A5S WILL BE DIVERTED FROM THE ANNISTON UPGRADE LINE IN ORDER TO MEET PORTUGUESE DESIRED DELIVERY DATE IN DECEMBER 1977 OR EARLIER.

2. WE NOTE THAT REF A DESCRIBES EXPEDITED EFFORT TO PROVIDE LETTERS OF OFFER (LOA) FOR 17 REPEAT 17 TANKS.
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PORTUGUESE MODERNIZATION PLANS HAVE ALWAYS IMPLIED A NEED FOR 18 ADDITIONAL TANKS, AS EXPLAINED IN REF B: 17 FOR THE TANK COMPANY, PLUS 6 FOR THE ARMORED CAVALRY TROOP (TOTAL OF 23), MINUS THE FIVE TANKS ALREADY PROVIDED BY THE US.

3. RECOMMEND THAT THE LOA UNDER PREPARATION BE AMENDED

FORTHWITH TO REFLECT A TOTAL OF 18 TANKS.BENNETT

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